

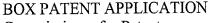


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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

> Application of Salah Oweis, Peter G. Allen, Guy Chagnon Re:

THERMAL MANAGEMENT BLANKETING AND JACKETING FOR

BATTERY SYSTEM MODULES

Assignee: ALCATEL

Our Ref. A7969

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 20 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and ten (10) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	55 - 20	) =	35	X	\$18.00	_	\$630.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1	X	\$80.00	=	\$80.00
Rase Fee				-			\$710.00

\$1420.00 TOTAL FEE

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1420.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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